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Michael H. Gilbert

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) Group Art Unit: 3624

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) Examiner: Kelly Scaggs Campen

Title: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR VERTICAL MESSAGING, BILLING AND PAYMENT SERVICES**

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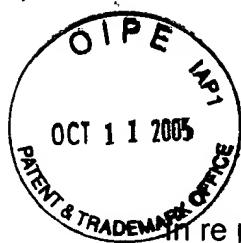
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In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated September 29, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.
- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.

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